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THE NORTHFIELD SCHOOLS OPEN ENROLLMENT NOW MORE THAN 950

EAST NORTHFIELD — On Monday, Sept. 13, the Northfield School for Girls will begin its 10th academic year with an enrollment of more than 450 students. Classes will begin on Wednesday.

New faculty members this year are Ruth E. Chutter, science, graduate of Northfield School for Girls and Mt. Holyoke College; Sarah M. Curtis, mathematics, graduate of Middlebury College and previously mathematics teacher at Knox School in Cooperstown, N.Y.; Elizabeth C. Sanderson, English, graduate of Pembroke College and M. A. degree from Radcliffe College, formerly at the Masters

School at Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.; Anne Walker, history, graduate of Smith College and former teacher at Northfield and recently connected with the Masters School; Anne H. Webb, mathematics and science, graduate of Northfield School for Girls and Oberlin College, former teacher at Lodi High School in Ohio; Mrs. Paul Warner, study hall supervisor, graduate of Bryn Mawr College and graduate work at Teachers College, Columbia Univ.; Eliene C. Anderson of Haverhill, Mass., assistant to house instructor; Mrs. Emma M. DeBoer of East Patterson, N. J., house instructor at Hildesheim; Mrs. Ruth A. Downer of Shattuck Falls, house instructor at Marguard; and Ruth Grove of Danversville, Pa., nurse at Betty Moody.

Mount Hermon School will open Wednesday, Sept. 15, with an enrollment of over 500 boys. New students will register on the opening day, former students on Thursday, and classes will begin Friday.

Headmaster Howard L. Hubbard has announced the following new members of the faculty. They include William R. Compton, history and Bible, graduate of Mt. Hermon and Oberlin College; Richard U. Meehan, science, graduate of Mt. Hermon and Yale University; William H. Pease, English and history, graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy, Williams College, and M. A. degree from University of Wisconsin; Richard P. Unsworth, graduate of Mount Hermon School and Princeton University; Philip H. Ward, teacher of Bible and English, graduate of Amherst College and Union Theological Seminary. Mr. Ward has held positions in New London and Coleraine, Conn., and has served under the American Board of Christian Missions in the Near East School of Theology in Beirut, Lebanon.

New members appointed to the staff this fall are: Miss Emily C. Thompson of South Hadley, Mass.; secretary to the Headmaster; Miss Catharine D. Rikert of Mt. Hermon, secretary to the Assistant Headmaster; and Mrs. Mary C. Davis of Forest Home, Alabama, nurse at Dwight's Home.

Army Lowers Officer Candidate School Entry Age

Minimum age for entrance into Army Officer Candidate School has been lowered by a year and a half, Jack C. Evans announced this week. Individuals who have attained the age of nineteen years and who have not passed their twenty-eighth birthday prior to reporting to Officer Candidate School are, if otherwise qualified, eligible to apply for attendance at an Officer Candidate School. Civilians may still enlist in the Army specifically for the purpose of attending Officer Candidate School. Such enlistment will be for any period for which they are authorized to enlist.

The former minimum age requirement for entrance was 20 years and 6 months. The maximum age requirement of 28 years for Army OCS remains unchanged.

The Army Officer Candidate School at Fort Riley, Kansas, will double its enrollment and begin classes in October. The school will enter a class of about 500 officer candidates each month.

The Women's Army Corps Officer Candidate School has been opened at Camp Lee, Virginia.

Antique Shop Has New Name and Spot

The Sunset Farms Antique Shop, located for several years on Main street, East Northfield, and operated by Norman Way and J. Alfred Way, are in the process of relocating on Route 2, near the intersection of Route 63.

Much of the large glass and china collection have already been placed on display at their new location. A number of attractive signs have been placed about the grounds. The new shop will be called the "Kosy Korner Antique Shop".

A large collection of antique and second-hand furniture is being sold at low prices at their former location in East Northfield.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for flowers, gifts, cards and letters received on our 60th wedding anniversary and Mr. Lazelle's 81st Birthday, and especially to all those who helped to make it such a happy occasion.

MR. and MRS. LAWRENCE LAZELLE

Supt. Taylor Speaks At First P. T. A. Meeting

Superintendent Robert N. Taylor, speaking on "A review of recent legislation and its impact on the future of education in Northfield", will be the principal speaker at the first Northfield Parent-Teacher Association meeting after a summer of adjournment.

A reception for the new teachers on the school staff will follow a short business meeting. Gloria Savchen, of the Northfield School for Girls, will furnish the musical interlude for the evening.

According to local P. T. A. president James G. Gillespie the program for the coming year will be governed by four points as outlined by the National Congress of Parent-Teacher Associations: 1. School education; 2. Health education; 3. World understanding; 4. Parent and family life education.

Officers, serving with President Gillespie, for the coming year will be: Vice president, Harold McClean; Treasurer, Roger J. Livingston; Secretary, Mrs. Gerald Quigley.

Committee chairman named for the year are: Program, J. J. Lawrence; Membership, Mrs. Charles White; Hospitality, Mrs. David Hammond; Legislative, Mrs. Gerald Quigley.

Historical Society Hears Two Reports

The Northfield Historical Society held its quarterly meeting last Tuesday evening at the Museum, with President Elsie Scott presiding.

The business meeting consisted of various reports by officers of the society.

Presenting the program for the evening were Leon Dunsell, who displayed a number of hand-blown glass bottles and read several papers telling of the early days of this now extinct craft, and Linton

"Antiques as Footnotes to American History". Miss Elsie Scott gave a report on many of the new items acquired by the museum, and also gave some new interpretations of well-known facts of the early days of Massachusetts history. The next meeting of the Society will be December 7.

Lazelle's Observe 60th Wedding Day

On Sept. 4, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle observed their 60th wedding anniversary and Mr. Lazelle's 81st birthday.

Forty-four friends and neighbors came to wish them happy returns of the day, and showered them with gifts, flowers, letters and cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle have lived in Northfield for 55 years of their married life. Mr. Lazelle was foreman for the Wingate Co. in Boston for ten years, and for nearly 20 years was employed by the Northfield School for Girls as foreman of painting and decorating.

He retired three years ago. He also was president of the Home Baseball team for several years.

Their daughter, Dolphine, and her husband, Russell Durgin, returned to Japan this summer to resume their work in the Y. M. C. A., which was interrupted in 1941 by the war after 24 years of service.

The Lazelles have three grandchildren. Rev. Lawrence Durgin, of the First Congregational Church of Norwich, N. Y.; Mrs. Helen Durgin, Miller, of San Francisco, Calif.; and Russell F. Durgin, of Columbia University, New York City and three great grandchildren, Katherine B. and Wendell Lawrence Durgin and David Craig Miller.

Town Topics

The Executive Director of A. Y. H., Monroe Smith, and his wife arrived at Bradley Field at 2 A. M. Wednesday morning.

Miss Bernice M. Webster of Northfield and Cyril Falls, N. Y., is having a "one-man show" at the Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany, N. Y., from Sept. 15 to October 4.

Mrs. Hoch is urging all friends of Cranmore School in the mountains of North Carolina to send in their contributions of clothing, which are to be shipped in this fall's shipment.

TOWN ADOPTION PROGRAM STILL GROWING. READERS RESPOND TO PLEA FOR CAMIERS.

Primary Grades Set New Northfield High

Setting a new high in the first three grades with a total enrollment of 117 the Northfield Public Schools have embarked on another year.

184 children reported for classes on the opening day of school in the first three grades, with 14 absent. This mark exceeds any previous figure in Northfield history.

The total enrollment in the Center School totaled 219, with the High School total being 139, being the total number of pupils in the Northfield Center and High School to 358. An increase over the 1947 figure of 338.

A number of transfer pupils from other localities entered school here this year, with an almost equal number having transferred to other communities.

According to Supt. Taylor, with the use of the rear part of Alexander Hall, adequate space can be found for the entire student body. 8 grades occupy the Center School building.

With the new additions to the teaching staff all grades are fully staffed.

Town Topics

Mrs. J. W. Hsu, who spent the summer in East Northfield has entered her son, Jay, at Mt. Hermon and her daughter, Mel, at St. Joseph's.

Lawrence Quinlan, local horseman, came home from the Orange Mardi Gras parade with a large trophy, awarded as first prize for his horsemanship and best-in-the-parade. Ben. Bonolis, also came home with a prize in the pony class. A high will be continuing this year in the grocery business on Main street.

New Idea Spreads From State to State

The Medway Plan, the "no overhead" plan for town adoption, is growing. This is evident with the news that Barnardston is going to adopt the town of Okeoy in France. This little town of some 200 people will therefore become the "adopted" town of many civic organizations of our neighboring town of Barnardston.

Following the extraordinary effort put forth by Charleston, S. C. in behalf of the town adoption program, 12 other towns in South Carolina alone immediately took up the project, and shipped some 325 tons of food, clothing, medical and surgical, dental and optical supplies, farm implements, fertilizer, seeds, bulk floor, rice, etc.

Beyond that, on a person to person basis, about 1900 packages of food and clothing have been sent to families and individuals, and with these have gone letters from which numerous replies have been received.

According to William Montgomery Bennett, originator of the Medway Plan, more than 9000 school children in the adopted towns have been individually adopted by American school children.

The program got its start in Waterbury, Conn., spread to many states, and now has its start in western Massachusetts, with every indication that the program will find equal success among the people of this state.

The freedom and peacefulness of the American people, Mr. Bennett believes, is in itself an evidence of real religion. It stems from moral law, he says, and that moral law is not given by government but proceeds from God.

The underlying principle of the plan is based on a unified spiritual effort both abroad and here, and can do a great deal to bring the various peoples of the earth together, Mr. Bennett contends.

"It can build up a desire for peace," he said, and the insight to recognize that war is contrary to all moral law."

70 Have Registered For Selective Service

Registration of 18 to 25 year old youths in Northfield is still proceeding with Town Clerk Josephine Haskell reporting nearly 70 young men have already passed through her office for registration.

According to previous estimates a number remain unregistered, but with a considerable period left for reporting it is expected that the total figure will reach over 100.

Mrs. Haskell is in her office from 9 to 5 on days of registration, with the exception of Sept. 14, State Primary Day, when she will be at the Town Hall. All desiring to register on that day may do so at the Town Hall.

Russell Head of Garden Club

The Garden Club elected the following officers at their Sept. 8 meeting: President, Byron Russell; Secretary, Daisy Holton and Treasurer, Louis M. Potts. Committee chairmen for the coming year are: Philip Porter, Program; I. J. Lawrence, Membership; Grove W. Deming, Library Committee.

Readers Respond To Press Adoption Plan

Since the announcement last week that The Northfield Press was adopting the Little French town of Camiers a number of people have come forward signifying their intention of adopting a family as soon as complete information is available.

In order to make a complete success of the adoption plan it will be necessary for many more of our readers to volunteer their readiness to take over a family — or children.

The Press also has a number of postal cards and pictures of Camiers, showing quite graphically the damage done by the repeated bombings of this little town. In order that these pictures can be seen by as many people as possible they will be displayed to the public at convenient, central locations.

The Press has a complete list of every school child in Camiers, and those of our readers who would like to adopt a child — or children — can do so, by getting in touch with us immediately. The names of the children, boys and girls, are listed according to age. If a preference in age is indicated it may be possible to furnish a child of any age — from an infant to the age of 15.

There are 121 children under the age of four, and consequently the most urgently needed items are baby clothes. No information is on hand at the present time as to the number of orphans in the town.

A number of individuals and families have already begun to make up boxes or packages while waiting for a family to adopt.

As we stressed in last week's Press, the adoption plan is not a plan to take part in this work.

Any organization or group desiring to join in the "adoption plan" is urged to get in touch with the Press for details on how they can help and what they can do to help.

Thomas E. Elder, 68, Dies in New Jersey

Thomas E. Elder, 68, former dean of Mount Hermon School for Boys, and an official of the National Holstein-Friesian Association of America, died suddenly Sept. 8 in New Jersey, according to word received at his Alton Bay, N. H. home.

Register on Sept. 17. The Board of Registrars will be in session on Friday, September 17, from 7 to 9, at the town hall.

The Board consists of Charles L. Johnson, Harry Gings, Lawrence Hammond and Mrs. Josephine Haskell.

Calendar of Events

September 11, Auction 9:30 a.m. Amos Field place, Ashuelot road, Winchester, N. H.
September 13, P. T. A. Meeting, Alexander Hall, 8 p. m.
September 15, V. F. W. Meeting, Grange Hall, 8:30 p. m.
September 18, Auction, 10:30 a. m. at the F. H. Montague Barn, Main street.
September 28, Legion Meeting, Legion rooms. Election of officers.

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"A Child of Camiers"

How beautiful are the serene blue eyes of a smiling infant. How soothing are the crib-side gurgles of a happy child. How comforting is the sight of blushing pink cheeks of a freshly scrubbed child. How warming is the sight of fat little fingers discovering each other. How curious is the sight of ten little toes with their curious pink nails.

This is a picture of some of the children. That is the sight of a child most of us have.

There are other children in the world. They have come from the darkness of the womb to the darkness of the world no great promise for them, except the blessing of death.

Born in fright and fear — living in despair and dark hopelessness, unless a light is borne to the pit from where there is no return.

Ears still ringing — eyes still squinting — the spirit still quivering.

The hope of the world — the guardian of the future — THE CHILD.

Not just some children — but ALL children, everywhere.

Tell your children how other children live — and die.

The time is here to help.

"Adopt a family in Camiers" OR

"A Child of Camiers".

Continental Keystone

"France is the continental keystone in the Marshall Plan. Cooperation among Western nations confronted by the Communist threat depends in large measure on the internal political stability of France." (Christian Science Monitor, Sept. 7, 1948.)

Political stability to a great extent means food, clothing, and the necessities of life for all citizens. Folks with full stomachs don't bring about political upheavals. Nor are they interested in any imported "isms". That is one of the reasons we are so deeply concerned about Camiers and its citizens. We want them to feel that they have friends in Northfield who are willing to share what they have with those less fortunate.

Their problems are our problems, and, if we can, by sending them food, clothing and letters of friendship, help to stabilize the future of France through her citizens, then we are helping ourselves to build a better and more peaceful world. If France is the front-line of defense against communism, it is our job to supply her citizens with the means to defend their Republic.

Obituary

HAROLD LAPLANTE

Harold LaPlante, 52, a native of Montague, and Postmaster of S. Vernon, Mass. for many years, died suddenly, Sunday, Sept. 5.

Mr. LaPlante, who operated a general store for 21 years in South Vernon, was a veteran of World War I, having served with Co. B, 61st Ammunition Train at Ft. Banks in Winthrop.

Surviving are: His mother, Mrs. Addie LaPlante; six children, Herbert LaPlante, Lorin LaPlante, Mrs. Carlton Smith, and Misses Mary, Frances and Ruth LaPlante. There are also two brothers, Clayton of Hartford, Conn., and Ralph of Springfield; two half brothers, Everett LaPlante of Warren and Ernest LaPlante of Everett; several cousins, nieces and nephews.

The Kidder Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements, with services being held at the Christian Advent Church, Sept. 8, with burial at the West Northfield Cemetery. Rev. Elvin Blackstone officiated.

Funeral bearers were: Ralph and Clayton LaPlante, Chester LaPlante, Carlton Smith, Gordon Buffum and Howard Buffum.

The Western Massachusetts Postmasters Association was represented by Postmaster J. B. Kennedy of Greenfield, also present were Postmaster John Macklin, Postmaster Lawrence Quinlan of Northfield and Assistant Postmaster Harold Higelow of East Northfield.

The Haven H. Spencer Post of Northfield was represented by Commander Richard Steenbruggen, William M. Marshall, Fred Holton and Harold Higelow. Commander Steenbruggen presented the flag covering the casket, to Mrs. Addie LaPlante.

THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

(Letters should be limited to 400 words or less. All letters must be signed by the writer — the name will not be used if you so desire.)

To the Editor of the Northfield Press:

The boobies, the very young, the mentally retarded and the unfortunate whose memories are poor, have been sold the messianic complex and idea that the U. S. must fight sin and the devil everywhere, all the time. This complex has been given the feeble-minded in very much the same method employed by the "leaders" of Huxley's "Brave New World" and that was thru constant repetition over radios. We, today have the added conditioning thru our newspapers and magazines and movies. No one, today, save the very courageous, dares to admit to being anything but an internationalist meddler and warrior.

In 1917 and 1941 we threw our young people into hell and death to save the world for democracy. DID WE DO IT EITHER TIME? For the poor memory of the future I will recall the fact that Hitler and Stalin grew out of World War I. Our "isolation" after World War I is blamed for Hitler's rise. The British food blockade and the system "Christian Democracy" employ to strangle defeated enemies economically, of course, had nothing to do with Hitler's appeal to the starving Germans! Just our refusal to join the League of Nations — that league to keep the spoils. Three years ago we joined the United Nations and the world is much worse off than it was three years after we did not join the League.

Most honest people would be willing to fight for freedom but history doesn't prove freedom was ever won by fighting wars, particularly world wars. The first gave us the freedom to starve which in turn gave more power to the State to enslave us. The second made actual slavery more extensive than it ever was, thanks to U. S. participation and Franklin Roosevelt's O. K. of it at Yalta.

The housekeeper analogy is one of my favorites — clean one's house but not one's cellar. BUT it is our cellar, our South, our insane asylums, our prisons. It certainly isn't our neighbors' cellars — full of incendiary denials of free speech. Even a Nestorian housekeeper should pause before rushing into the neighbors' cellars to throw out their old rags and newspapers. The neighbors in Northfield might not object to strangers raiding their cellars, but around here even friends take sourly to mere suggestions regarding their housekeeping. I have been urging them to clean out their attics for foreign relief, so I know.

Uncle Joe or Papa Peron will not let their families write letters to the editors criticizing their housekeeping, we, the U. S., must mobilize our young, tighten our belts and sail into the slaughter!! The fact that we destroy in the killing, all the paper, the pens and the typewriters, to say nothing of the writers, that make letter-writing possible, means nothing to the mentally immature who sell this absurd idea. They think up fool questions such as "Have you stopped beating your wife?" to be answered with "yes or no" to prove wars improve and enrich the human race. They also conveniently forget the large and horrible concentration camps the U. S. had during the war for people not guilty of any crime save that of being born of colored enemy parents.

"Reader Stafford" lived the years of the war prepared to give up "his" freedom or his security because of his fight against the Government which set up these concentration camps, euphemistically called War Relocation Camps. I noticed then that the lads who were so solid on saving democracy in Europe didn't have even a teaspoonful of a boric acid solution for the dust-filled eyes of these victims of the same totalitarianism we were fighting abroad. I also notice Canada, a poorer and smaller, in population, country than we, has sent much more relief per capita abroad since the close of the war than we. America's answer to distressed and displaced humanity was three years after the close of the war, disclosed in the passage of H. R. 6396 and S. 2242, shows how much moral right we have to removing mines and beams with bayonets and atomic bombs.

While Huey Long was a knave, he was bright enough to remark, "When fascism comes to America, it will come in the guise of anti-fascism." And a smart friend of mine, lured by the phrase, "There's a war on", added "for morons" making the very sensible and rhythmic sentence "There's a war on for morons". There will be if we continue to believe we have to burn down the barn to get rid of the rats.

Yone U. Stafford
Springfield, Massachusetts
August 21, 1948.

COLONIAL CHRONICLES

History in the Making in Northfield
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The next years of the French and Indian War were full of attacks. Dr. Doolittle felt that Ft. Massachusetts the western of a series of forts west from Ft. Dummer, and Township No. 4 (since called Charlestown, N. H.) took the most severe attacks. Ft. Massachusetts was defeated and burned. At one time the fort at No. 4 held out against the enemy successfully, somewhat as did a fort in Fall Town, (Bernardston). The enemy did far more scouting than Massachusetts could provide its men to do. In fact, men at scenes of danger were not paid better than those in less dangerous places and the enemy often outnumbered those defending the settlements. Many of the newer settlements were given up, while families lived in forts.

In Northfield, Deacon Ebenezer Alexander, ancestor of D. L. Moody and others now in town, and who had built a home on the site of the Colton home, fortified his place before the town took over the expense. Three other forts were made ready. Alexander Fort was the one farthest north. In 1746 young Benjamin Wright was killed when out after cows, and similarly Nathan Dickinson and Ashel Burt were killed and scalped, as is recorded by a marker at the north end of Main street. The next July Aaron Belding was leaving Alexander Fort for home when attacked by an

Indian he knew, scalped and killed. He told a neighbor who came to his relief, who the Indian was, just before dying at the site of the present Congregational Church.

Numerous were the tragedies of this war. Many were the captives taken to Canada, most of whom were redeemed by the time of Doolittle's narrative. Many a Northfield man was at Ft. Dummer, on scouts, or aiding in the town's defense. Joseph Kellogg was still the interpreter. The great gun at Ft. Dummer was the signal for sending aid from Northfield. At one such occasion the relief party was led by Moody's ancestors, Capt. Ebenezer Alexander and Lt. Ezekiel Stratton. Winter was usually safe from war because there was no foliage for the Indian method of attack. Northfield sought more assistance from Gov. Shirley for adequate defense.

During this war William Pepperell of Massachusetts led an expedition to Cape Breton Island and was successful in taking the new naval station from the French. The mother country England very tactlessly gave it back to France at the end of the war in exchange for a French colony in Madras in India. Thus the capture of the fort at Louisbourg did not bring the results the colonists worked to achieve. Not until France and England declared peace did the war end.

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Mrs. Hesser Ruhl has resigned as assistant librarian, completing her duties July 28th. Mrs. Warren Randall has been appointed to fill the vacancy, and began her new duties on Sept. 1.

Last week, several new books were made ready and placed on our shelves, mostly light fiction.

The list is as follows: No Highway, by Nevil Shute, author of Chequer Board, is a story of science romance and suspense.

No Bugles Tonight, by Bruce Lancaster; another Civil War story by the author of Guns of Burgoyne. The story is of a Union spy.

Shannon's Way, by A. J. Cronin, the story of a medical research doctor by this favorite author is sure to be popular.

We Gather Together, by Jenkins. Quote, "A nostalgic picture of the South — full of the lazy charm of summers in a small Georgia town."

John Goffe's Mill, by George Woodbury; an old New Hampshire mill restored by the author which he calls "a primitive but contemporary industry run by and for one family."

Other listed are: Marriage of Claudia, by Rose Franken; Big

Freeze, by Bellamy Partridge; Ravenswood, by M. F. Doner; Tomorrow Will Be Better, by Betty Smith; Toward the Morning, by Hervey Allen; this follows Bedford Village in the series. Cleft Rock, by Alice Tisdale Hobart; The Sky and the Forest, by C. S. Forester; Case of the Vagabond Virgin, by E. S. Gardner; Red Sun South, by Oswald Wynd; Home Place, by Wright Morris; and a 1948 edition of The Jungle Books, by Rudyard Kipling. In addition, we have Road to Survival, by William Vogelt; written by an outstanding authority who is aware of the world's plight, is the story of man's environmental plight today — particularly his sources of food — containing pertinent facts and figures; White House Diary, by Nesbitt.

Recent gifts are: a biography of Gen. Douglas MacArthur by Miller; Letters of Alexander Woolcott, ed. by Kaufman & Hennessey; Young Bess, by Margaret Irwin, from the Newton Library.

The 1948 edition of Grays, "Anatomy of the Human Body," has been presented to the library by a recent Northfield resident, Dr. W. M. Baldwin. This will replace the 1896 edition.

New Regulations Aid Relief Shipments

Order No. 37824: Date June 26, 1948

In accordance with the provisions of the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, the Administrator of the ECA is authorized to use certain funds made available for the purpose, insofar as practicable and under the rules and regulations prescribed by him, to pay ocean freight charges on certain relief parcels, and, where practicable, to make agreements with participating countries to absorb terminal charges on such parcels.

Effective July 6, 1948, and until further notice, the present postage rates on such relief parcels sent by surface means will be reduced by 4 cents per pound for the following countries only: Austria, Belgium, China, France, Great Britain, Luxembourg, Netherlands, and the zones of Germany and Trieste under occupation by the United States, Great Britain, or France.

A "relief package" is defined as one originating in the United States (including its Territories and insular possessions) and consigned by an individual sender to an individual addressee for the personal use of himself or his immediate family. The items which may be included in these relief parcels are limited to nonperishable food, clothing and clothesmaking material, shoes and shoe making materials, mailable medical and health supplies, and household supplies and utensils if permitted under existing postal regulations.

The combined total domestic retail value of all soap, butter and other edible fats, and oils included in each relief package must not exceed \$5; and the combined total domestic retail value of all streptomycin, quinine sulfate, and quinine

hydrochloride in each relief package must not exceed \$5.

The maximum weight and dimensions of each relief parcel must conform to the regulations applicable at the time of mailing to parcel post for the particular country of destination. These parcels may be registered or insured to those countries to which such service is available.

When a relief package is presented for mailing under these regulations the words "U. S. A. GIFT Parcel" shall be conspicuously endorsed by the mailer on the address side of the parcel and also on the customs declaration. The use of the words "U. S. A. GIFT Parcel" will be a certification by the mailer that the provisions of the ECA regulations have been met.

Customs declaration (Form 2966) and dispatch note (Form 2972) if required, must be attached to these relief parcels.

Hope Fades For New Northfield Industry

Hope is fading for the establishment of a small cannery plant in Northfield. Negotiations for locations and buildings have reached a stalemate, and officials of the cannery company have almost crossed Northfield off the list of prospective locations.

A number of suitable spots were considered by company officials on their previous visit here, and unless a solution is reached on their next visit they will go elsewhere for the establishment of their firm. The cannery company, now employing some 42 people, had indicated that they might be able to maintain this figure of employment if they could establish their expanding operations somewhere in Northfield.

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Northfield voters voting on State Primary Day, Sept. 14, will find the following names on the ballots, Republican and Democratic:

REPUBLICAN

Governor: Robert F. Bradford, seeking re-nomination.
Edward M. Rowe, of Cambridge and present State Senator.

Lt. Governor: Arthur W. Coolidge, seeking re-nomination.

Secretary: Frederick W. Cook, present Secretary.

Treasurer: Laurence Curtis, present State Treasurer.

Auditor: Four candidates are seeking this office including Douglas Lawson of Boston, Edwin L. Olander, present Mayor of Northampton, Wallace Stearns of Boston, and Russell A. Wood, former State Auditor.

Attorney General: Clarence A. Barnes, present Attorney General.

Senator in Congress: Leverett Saltonstall, present Senator.

Congressman: John W. Heseltine, present Congressman.

Councillor: William R. Barry, Springfield, seeking re-nomination.

Senator: Ralph C. Mahar, Orange, present Senator.

Representative in General Court: George Fuller, Deerfield, present incumbent.

Register of Probate and Insolvency: Herbert P. Ware, Shelburne, present Register, and Lawrence A. O'Connell, present Assistant Register. Vote for one.

County Commissioners: Four are seeking the two offices, including the 2 present Commissioners, Roy W. French and Carlos Allen; Robert H. Anderson and Harry W. Fay are also seeking the nomination for the office.

County Treasurer: William J. Newcomb of Greenfield.

DEMOCRATIC

Governor: Paul A. Dever, former Attorney General.

Manrice J. Tobin, now U. S. Secretary of Labor.

Lt. Governor: Edward P. Barry, Wallesey.

Benedict F. Fitzgerald, Cambridge.

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan.

Secretary: Edward J. Cronin, Chelsea.

Jerome Patrick Troy, Boston.

Treasurer: John E. Hurley, former State Treasurer.

Auditor: Thomas J. Buckley, present State Auditor.

Attorney General: Enrico Cappelletti, Boston, State Representative for 13 years.

John F. Kelley.

Francis E. Kelly, Boston, former Lt. Governor.

Patrick Gilbert Sullivan, State Rep. for 14 years.

Senator in Congress: John L. Fitzgerald, Boston.

Francis D. Harrigan, Boston.

Joseph A. Langone, Boston, former State Senator.

John D. Lynch, former Mayor of Cambridge.

Richard M. Russell, former Mayor of Cambridge.

Congressman, 1st District: John H. Callahan, Pittsfield.

Patrick J. O'Malley, Springfield.

Councillor: 8th District, vote for 1: John T. Bunyan, Holyoke.

Justin G. Cavanaugh, Springfield.

Herbert F. Dolan, Springfield.

William J. Kern, Springfield.

John J. Riordan, Springfield.

Edward G. Shea, Springfield.

Senator: Julian A. Cesar, Easthampton.

States and Canada, and will go on to Maine for her vacation before returning to work. Ralph Ehlert, assistant bookkeeper at Headquarters, has returned to the office after a week's vacation with his family along the shores of Lake Champlain, and Anna Fortier, office secretary, has completed her two weeks vacation with relatives in Bridgeport.

The Hartford Area Council, A. Y. H., is sponsoring its second annual reunion of hostellers in the Hartford region at the Camp Sprague Hotel, Portland, Connecticut, on September 11 and 12; there will be accounts of trips, singing, square dancing, and planning for next year. Hartford is one of the many areas in the United States which has a strong council sponsoring hostellers and hostelling activities.

Shoots Double Eagle On Northfield Course

In an exhibition match, played at the Northfield Golf course, Ralph Raymond of the Framingham Golf Club, in two strokes went the 456 yard distance of the first hole, from tee to cup, giving him an albatross or double eagle for a par five hole.

Raymond, playing as partner with his brother, Albert, professional at the Northfield Golf course defeated Tom Parker of Northfield and Charles Stadler of the Avon Golf Club in Connecticut by four strokes in the closely contested 18 hole match, which featured beside the albatross, nine birdies, and a beat ball for the foursome of 60.

A large crowd of Northfield hotel guests and townspeople followed the match but Raymond is looking for the quiet man who watched his ball sail over the crown of the hill on that first hole, the man who calmly informed him, "If you want your ball, it's in that hole."

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Valley Vista Picnic

Last week end the Briesmaster family at Valley Vista Inn entertained a number of friends and relatives at a clam bake and barbecue which took place at the Inn's river picnic grounds.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Allison Stevenson of N. Y., Dr. and Mrs. J. Argold de Veer of New York, and John de Veer, who came here from their Canadian summer home, Douglas McKee of Roselyn Heights, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Gray and Misses Dorothy and Lorraine Gray of Bel- laire, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Radus of Rutherford, N. J., Miss Beale de Veer and Miss Lettie Bellinger of N. Y., Jean and James Dixon of Lynbrook, N. Y.

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"Dutch Elm" Strikes In Northfield

The dread "Dutch Elm" disease that has swept through many Massachusetts communities in the past few years has been discovered in Northfield.

Selectman George H. Sheldon, upon investigation, found a tree badly infected with "Dutch Elm" disease. The tree located between Meadow Bridge and Stearns Garage has been discovered to be com-

pletely infected and has been reported to State Highway officials. State officials have promised to remove the tree within a month. There have been no reports concerning the spread of the disease to town owned land or to trees owned by local residents.

This tree-killer if not discovered in time will spread with great speed and spread havoc among the remaining trees along Main street.

Any new evidence of the "Dutch Elm" disease should be reported at once to the proper authorities.

POET'S CORNER

An Ancient Church

(Experienced at twilight, seated at the organ in the little country church, and written in anticipation of the hundredth anniversary of the erection of the building.)

The commemorative hour is past.
There have been hymns and prayers;
Men old and grave whose fathers
Saw the building of the church have spoken,
And young men whose grandfathers raised the frame
Have pledged anew their loyalty and faith.
The story has been told and told again
Of those, a century ago
Who through hard years had sacrificed and toiled
That there might be this country house of God.

The church is quiet
And the night draws near

Now in the dusk from out the holy walls
Step shadows manifold.
The dim aisles fill with wraiths
Of those who once in living flesh
Made here their vows
Slowly they file within the empty pews
Until no unfilled seat remains;
Yet still they come, impalpable as evening mist,
Yielding to those who silently
From the slow-dark'ning walls descend.

All that the church has known lives once again —
Stern exhortation and command,
Wise counsel, warning and encouragement,
Blended with Sacred Word and ancient holy hymn.
Relives the quick pulsation of the guilty heart
And the slow agony of hidden pain.
Aspiration in pale holy flame ascends,
And prayer as incense from repentant souls.
A long reverberation moves in soundless waves
Through the dim room.
In one dark aisle shades sway from the path
As slender flower-stems beaten by the wind,
And slowly toward the altar's rest
A cortege moves, while muted echoes
Of long sobbing breaths are heard.

The ghostly funerals pass
And there are little children's songs,
Marching with flags, flowers and garlanding;
Tall laden trees, a Santa Claus.
And carols ringing joyfully.

These too pass by. Then once again
The walls receive the dead,
And there is quiet in the church
As in the heart of one who ponders
On the joyous, sad and sacred past,
And having smiled and wept and prayed awhile
Is peaceful and at rest.

—SYLVIA H. BLISS

(Reprinted from the magazine "Driftwind" with the author's permission)

Soaring Prices Slow Road Construction

Despite the soaring costs Northfield is going ahead on highway work. Due to the sharp increase in all materials needed for highway repair and construction only a part of the proposed work is being done.

Some 700 yards of Birnam road, near School street is being prepared for a hard surface. Upon completion of this segment of the road the entire length of Birnam road will also be hard surfaced.

New construction on the Warwick road is being pushed ahead under the Chapter 90 funds, in which the town pays one quarter, the county pays one quarter and the state pays one-half. It is hoped to complete some 1000 feet of this construction at the cost of \$4000.

Previous reports had indicated that work would be started on the bridge above the East Northfield Railroad Station, but due to legal complications no actual repairs can be made until next spring at least.

Town Topics

Mr. and Mrs. Mark B. Aldrich of Pelham have moved into the former home of Mrs. Allen H. Wright which they recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Manning who have occupied the Allen cottage in Mountain Park this summer have gone to their home in New London, Conn.

Mrs. Gordon Watts and family have closed their cottage in Mountain Park for the summer and gone to Saratoga Springs, N. Y., where Mrs. Watts will teach at Skidmore College.

Friends of Roger Greenwood will be pleased to hear that he is well on the way to recovery following

an operation at the Brattleboro Memorial Hospital.

Joseph Oulton is still confined to his bed.

Work is going rapidly ahead on the painting of the Unitarian Church, while the adjoining Webster block is being prepared for painting.

Mrs. Ambert G. Moody has returned to The Northfield.

Mrs. Howard Briggs has returned from Wyoming, Minn., to East Hall.

Mrs. C. G. Woodruff and her daughter, Miss Dorothy Woodruff of Maplewood, N. J., are visiting in town and registered at the Northfield Hotel. They were former summer residents for many years with a cottage on Rustic Ridge which was sold to Rev. E. W. Griley, Jr., of Hartford, Conn.

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Sunday, September 13,
10:30 a. m. Service and Sermon.

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11:30 a. m. Sunday School.

7:00 p. m. Prayer and Praise Service.

Tuesday, September 14,
Women's Missionary Society meeting. Election of officers at the home of Mrs. Florence Jones.

Wednesday, September 15,
Evening service.

No Policemen.

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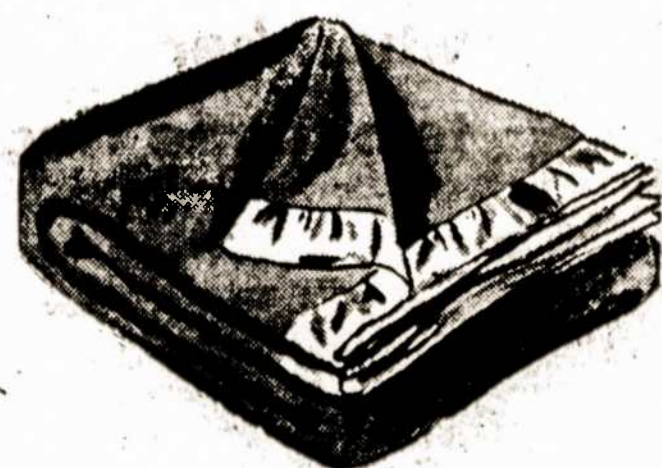
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